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News from the City of Dover, New Hampshire

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Dover Listens hosts final community conversation Saturday

Dover Listens, a non-affiliated group of citizens promoting open discussion of community issues, will host its third in a series of three community forums on education on Saturday.

The events are designed to be consecutive in nature, and are open to all who live or work in Dover. Dover Listens seeks to hear from a variety of voices, including parents, business owners, students, teachers, and new and long-term residents. Anyone invested in Dover's education system is encouraged to attend.

The session will be held:

- Saturday, Feb. 8, 9 a.m.-12 p.m., at the Dover Middle School cafeteria.

Dover Listens aims to provide elected leaders with community input. According to the group, the Dover City Council, Dover School Board, and Dover public school administration have invited Dover Listens to facilitate a conversation to identify key issues and build a prioritized plan for Dover.

Meetings this week:

School Board, Feb. 10, 7 p.m.

The School Board will hold a regular meeting on Monday, Feb. 10, at 7 p.m., in School Board Chambers at the McConnell Center.

To view the meeting agenda, click [here](#).

Planning Board, Feb. 11, 7 p.m.

The Planning Board will hold a regular meeting on Tuesday, Feb. 11, at 7 p.m.,

in Council Chambers at City Hall.

To view the meeting agenda, click [here](#).

City Council, Feb. 12, 7 p.m.

The City Council will hold a regular meeting, followed by a workshop session, on Wednesday, Feb. 12, at 7 p.m., in Council Chambers at City Hall.

To view the meeting agenda, click [here](#).

To view the workshop agenda, click [here](#).

For a complete list of weekly meetings, visit www.dover.nh.gov.

To view meetings online, on demand, visit www.dover.nh.gov/dntv.



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City Hall hours:
Monday-Thursday
8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.

**Recycling Center
hours:**
Tuesday, Thursday,

The group maintains it is committed to creating and sustaining a fair process for public engagement and action. Public input will be compiled and shared with all participants and with local leaders.

For more information about these upcoming sessions, or for more information about Dover Listens, visit <http://doverlistens.org/>.

City of Dover to remove illegal signs week of Feb. 10

The City of Dover Department of Planning and Community Development will remove illegal and unpermitted temporary advertising signs citywide during the week of Feb. 10, 2014. Illegal and unpermitted signs include those on utility poles, or in the right of way. This clean-up is the first conducted this year and part of continuing efforts to enforce the ban on illegal off-site advertising.

The placement of signs in public rights-of-way and medians, on utility poles and attached to trees is not permitted under the City's zoning code. Illegally posted advertising signs may create a safety hazard for traveling motorists and can be unsightly for residents. Such signs detract from the legitimate business signs approved under the City's established permitting process.

Business owners who have placed these illegal signs are advised to remove them in advance of the City's clean-up effort. Confiscated signs are held for 30 days prior to being recycled or destroyed, unless the sign is claimed by the owner after paying a reclamation fee based on the actual cost of staff hours and equipment use. Repeat offenders may be subject to prosecution and fines.

For more information, please contact the City of Dover Department of Planning and Community Development at 516-6008.

Dover spring sports sign-ups are Saturday

Dover Recreation will host spring sports sign-ups at the McConnell Center Cafeteria on Saturday, Feb. 8, from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m.

Sports leagues available for sign-ups are Dover Baseball,

Saturday
8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

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Cochecho Lacrosse, Dover Soccer Association, Dover Youth Softball, Dover Youth Football, Dover Little Green Football and Dover Little Green Cheerleading.


There will be additional sign-up sessions in March, but some leagues have early deadlines, so register early to be certain.


Log onto www.dover.nh.gov/rechome.htm to view the Spring sports sign-up flyer, which contains more information about each league.



The following events are recorded in "Notable Events in the History of Dover, New Hampshire: From the First Settlement in 1623 to 1865," by George Wadleigh, "Historic Rambles About Dover," by Robert A. Whitehouse, "Port of Dover: Two Centuries of Shipping on the Cochecho" by Robert A. Whitehouse and Cathleen C. Beaudoin, and other historical sources.

For more on the history of Dover, settled in 1623 and the oldest permanent settlement in New Hampshire and seventh oldest in the country, visit the Dover Public Library, Locust Street; and the Woodman Institute Museum, Central Avenue. The Public Library also maintains an online collection of historical information, located at <http://www.dover.lib.nh.us/DoverHistory/cityof.htm>.


Feb. 8, 1925 - Dover Fire Chief James Smith is instantly killed after striking a match while searching for a gas leak in the cellar of the Strafford Bank building. A janitor in the building at the time was injured.


Feb. 10, 1897 - (Dover Enquirer) "Two Durhamites had a narrow escape while in this city last evening from a serious accident on Central Street. A gentleman accompanied by a young lady from that quaint old town of learning, drove to this city. They were returning home when the sleigh caught in the electric track in front of St. Mary's convent in such a manner that the occupants were thrown out, the young lady landing in a watery spot which made her decidedly uncomfortable. Her brave companion clung to the ribbons and was dragged some distance before the animal was stopped by a Mr. Austin. The young couple was fortunately received but slight bruises and after things were righted they continued on their homeward journey, perhaps

consoling and congratulating each other that the mishap was no worse."



Feb. 12, 1844 - Died, Captain William Flagg, aged 74. In early life he was an officer in the naval service of his country, for which at the time of his death he received a pension from the government. He was afterwards an enterprising shipmaster, and long enjoyed the respect and confidence of his fellow citizens. The Flagg home, known as Bellevue Farm, would become Tidewater Farm.



Feb. 12, 1825 - The trial of Amos Fernald of Gilford, for the murder of his natural son, Alfred Fernald, aged 5 years, which took place before the Superior Court in Dover, excited much interest. The prisoner was charged with keeping his child confined and literally starving him to death, and after a four days trial the jury returned a verdict of manslaughter. The number of spectators, their anxiety to hear the trial, and the want of room in the Court House, induced the Court to adjourn to the Meeting House, where the trial was held.

Dover schools to hold kindergarten, first-grade registration

Dover public schools will soon hold kindergarten and first-grade registration for children as follows:

Children five years old by Sept. 30, 2014, entering kindergarten;

Children Six years old by Sept. 30, 2014, entering first grade (if not currently in Dover public kindergarten).

Horne Street School

Registration is by appointment only. Please call Ms. Morton at 516-6756 to set up an appointment. Registration hours are as follows:

- Tuesday, March 11 9-11 a.m. and 1-3 p.m.;
- Wednesday, March 12, 1-6 p.m.;
- Thursday, March 13, 9-11 a.m. and 1-3 p.m.

Woodman Park Elementary School

Registration is by appointment only. Please call Ms. Rouillard at 516-6700 to set up an appointment. Registration hours are as follows:

- Tuesday, March 11, 9-11 a.m. and 1-3 p.m.;
- Wednesday, March 12, 1-6 p.m.;
- Thursday, March 13, 9-11 a.m. and 1-3 p.m.

Garrison Elementary School

Registration is by appointment only. Please call Ms. Lilakos at 516-6752 to set up an appointment.

Registration hours are as follows:

- Tuesday, March 11, 9-11 a.m. and 1-3 p.m.;
- Wednesday, March 12, 1-6 p.m.;
- Thursday, March 13, 9-11 a.m. and 1-3 p.m.

As part of the registration process, parents registering children for kindergarten are asked to select a half-hour slot for an early screening skills check of their child.

These sessions will be held at the three elementary schools April 15-17.

For more information, contact the schools at the phone numbers above.

Help keep our City clean by picking up after pets

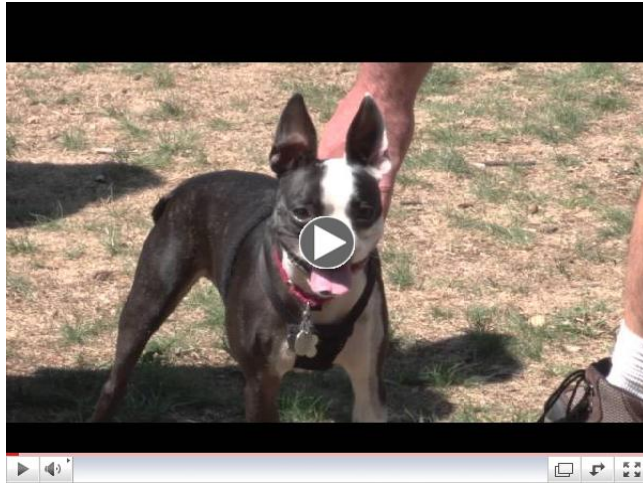
Picking up and disposing of pet waste is an important step to helping keep the City of Dover clean and healthy.

Pet waste is a significant contributor of bacteria in surface waters. Pet waste left on City streets, parks and playing fields can quickly turn into unhealthy nuisances that often someone other than a pet owner has to remove. While many pet owners are responsible, help make sure that pet waste is properly managed for the good health and benefit of everyone. Pet waste left on the ground, especially in public areas like parks or playing fields, may pose a risk to children, adults, and even pets.

Let's work together to keep pet waste out of our water resources and recreational areas. Please do your part and "Scoop the Poop."

Remember, picking up after your pet isn't just a courtesy for those walking behind you; it's the law.

For tips on dealing with pet waste, please see the City of Dover's public service announcement below:



Help keep the City of Dover clean by picking up after pets

For additional information about this project or pet waste in general please contact Barbara McMillan, NHDES, Watershed Assistance, 271-7889, bmcmillan@des.state.nh.us or Sally Soule, NH Coastal Program, 559-0032, ssoule@des.state.nh.us

Additional information about fluoridation

The City of Dover has added fluoride to the treated water it supplies since 1987.

Water fluoridation helps reduce the incidence of tooth decay for residents of all ages. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention estimates, on average, every \$1 invested in water fluoridation saves \$38 in dental treatment costs.

However, according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, if your child under the age of six months is exclusively consuming infant formula reconstituted with fluoridated water, there may be an increased chance of dental fluorosis. Consult your child's health care provider for more information.

For more information, contact Community Services at 603-516-6041.

'New Hampshire's Little-Known Black Daughters' at the Dover

Public Library Feb. 18

New Hampshire has a long, rich, and vibrant African-American history. On Tuesday evening, Feb. 18. at 7 p.m, the Friends of the Dover Public Library are pleased to present a program by JerriAnne Boggis and Courtney Marshall entitled "New Hampshire's Little-Known Black Daughters".

They will discuss the lives and contributions of two local African-American women: Nellie Brown Mitchell, a renowned 19th century opera singer and concert company owner from Dover, and Harriet E. Wilson, an author from Milford who penned "Our Nig, or Sketches from the Life of a Free Black" in 1859. Re-discovered in 1982 by Henry Louis Gates, Jr., this book has been documented as the first African-American novel published in the United States.



Nellie Brown Mitchell

This dynamic program will explore themes of community, history, and identity and the continuing importance of Black history in New Hampshire. Courtney Marshall is an Assistant Professor of English and Women 's Studies at the University of New Hampshire. Her field of research includes African-American literature, critical race feminism, queer ethnic studies, and law and popular culture.



Harriet Wilson

JerriAnne Boggis is the Director of the Portsmouth Black Heritage Trail and the Harriet Wilson Project who works to tell the little-known stories of Black history in New Hampshire and beyond.

For more information on this free program, call the Dover Public Library at 603-516-6050.

New classes start at Dover Adult Learning Center

Would you like to get the basics retiring early, Excel charts, or Windows 8?

Course on all these topics begin next week at the Dover

Adult Learning Center.

For more information, call 603-742-1030 or visit www.doveradultlearning.org to see a list of all classes and to register.

Stay social with your City



Want the latest announcements and important information about your city? Check out the City of Dover's official **Facebook page** and **twitter feed** for the latest updates.

Main Street to host Run Before You Crawl 5K and Pub Crawl

Join Dover Main Street for the first race in the Dover Race Series (www.doverraceseries.com), a 5k run, followed by a pub crawl at 13 participating downtown Dover restaurants.



The Run Before You Crawl 5K and Pub Crawl race will be held on Saturday, March 15, at 10 a.m. The pub crawl begins at 11 a.m. the race starts and ends on Chestnut Street, in front of the Dover Transportation Center.

To view the race course, click [here](#).

The race is underwritten by D.F. Richard and sponsored by Orchard Title, Avalar Advantage Real Estate, Ross Furniture and Relyco.

The Run Before You Crawl 5K and Pub Crawl is part of the 2014 Dover Race Series.

For more information, or to register, click [here](#).

Join the discussion on Dover's special education budget process

Have coffee with the Dover School District's special education Budget Team on Thursday, Feb. 13, at 7 p.m., in the Superintendent's Office at the McConnell Center.

Did you ever wonder how the special education budget was built, or how the district's special education team

determined how resources will be expended to meet the educational needs of all students?

Please join Christine Boston, director of pupil personnel students, as she walks us through the budget process and answers questions that you may have about the budget for special education. Light refreshments will be served.

This event is free and open to the public. No RSVP required.

This event is presented by the Dover Family School Alliance, which supports special education students and educators within the Dover School District by providing a source for relevant information, training and emotional support in meeting children's special needs.

Visit www.doverfamilyschoolalliance.org or email info@doverfamilyschoolalliance.org.

Winter parking ban in effect

A citywide winter parking ban is now in effect and will conclude April 1, 2014.

The ban requires that no vehicle be parked on any city street or sidewalk between the hours of 1 and 6 a.m., and is not limited to nights with snow in the forecast. Vehicles may park in city controlled parking lots during this time without the need for a parking permit.

The Library, Third Street and School Street parking lots have specific areas where overnight parking is allowed. Drivers should look for signs in the lots indicating which rows are available.

Vehicles found in violation of the winter parking ban will be issued a \$15 parking ticket. Vehicles interfering with snow removal may be towed.

The city will also enact an emergency parking ban for the downtown area, when needed, to facilitate snow removal. The emergency parking ban will be announced by 3 p.m. each evening and take effect at 1 a.m. the following morning. When the emergency parking ban is in effect, any car parked on a downtown street will be towed. Notification of the emergency parking ban will be conducted through local media, the City of Dover website, cable channel 22 and Dover Download.

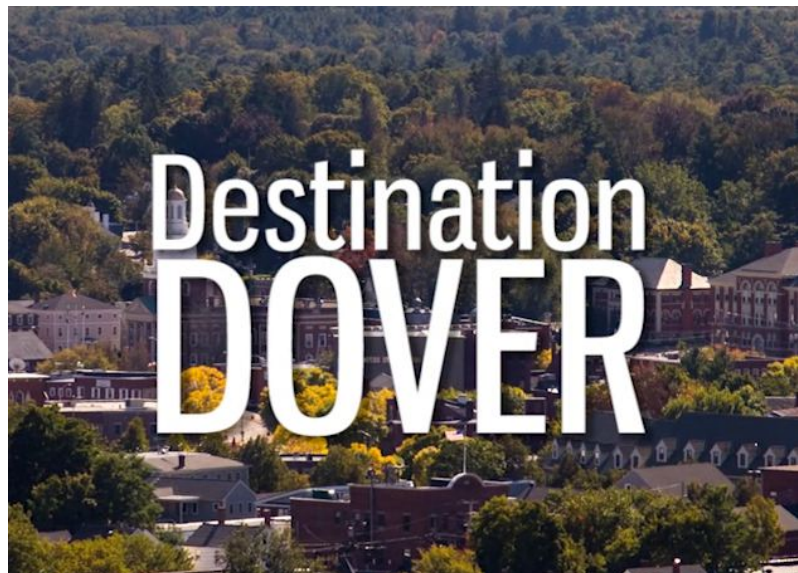
Downtown restaurants, bars and other late night business are encouraged to sign up for an e-mail notification of an

emergency parking ban by contacting the Parking Bureau at parking@dover.nh.gov or by calling 516-2277.

Streets included in the emergency parking ban area are: Chestnut Street; Main Street; Chapel Street; School Street; First Street; Second Street; Locust Street from Washington to Silver Street; Washington Street from Belknap to River Street; Central Avenue from Sixth Street to Silver Street; Third, Fourth, Fifth and Sixth streets (Central to Chestnut); Henry Law Avenue from Central Avenue to George Street; Broadway from Central Avenue to St. John Street; Hale Street; St. Thomas Street from Central to Locust Street; Locust Street from Hale Street to Washington Street.

A map is posted at www.dover.nh.gov/policepdf/DnTnSnowEmergencyMap.pdf.

For more information on the winter parking ban or the emergency parking ban can contact the Parking Bureau at 516-2277.



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City's boards and commissions keep community vibrant

The City of Dover is a vibrant community due in large part to the energy and talent of citizen participation on boards and commissions.

The City's boards and commissions encourage public participation, including new members to fill vacant positions.

There are a number of vacancies on current boards and commissions.

For a complete list of the City's boards and commissions, as well as more information about how to apply for boards and commissions, visit www.dover.nh.gov/boards.htm.

To download an application for board and commissions, click [here](#). Completed forms should be returned to the City Clerk's Office. Committee application forms are kept on file for one year from date of submission.

For more information, contact the City Clerk's office at 516-6018.



Want to stay up to speed on exciting events and activities in Dover? Sign up for the Greater Dover Chamber of Commerce's weekly newsletter, Peek at the Week, for up-to-date information on what's happening in Dover.

Whether it's the schedule for the Cochecho Arts Festival, art exhibits or where to shop for local products, sign up for Peek at the Week, and you'll be ready for the week ahead.

You can sign up to receive the Chamber's Peek at the Week by e-mail [here](#).

Time to register your vehicle?

Save time, register online

Did you know you can save yourself time and a trip to City Hall by registering your vehicle online?

Online vehicle registration renewal is easy, safe and secure. You can register online by providing a PIN number or your license plate number. Your PIN number is provided by the City of Dover and can be found on your renewal notice.

For your convenience, you can now pay for motor vehicle registration by credit card.

For more information on the E-registration process, click [here](#).

Missed the meeting? Catch it again online

Don't forget: If you missed the live City Council, School Board or Planning Board on Channels 22 and 95, you can catch it again, online and on demand.

Simply visit the City's website at www.dover.nh.gov/dntv to begin watching meetings on demand. Online meetings are organized by agenda item for convenience.

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